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IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
PHILIPPE COMBETTE, ET AL. : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION  
SERIAL NO: NEW U.S. APPLICATION :  
(BASED ON PCT/FR03/50117)  
FILED: HEREWITH :  
FOR: MICROBEAD-FILLED :  
MICROSYSTEM AND :  
PRODUCTION METHOD THEREOF

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.

A clean copy of the **Replacement Abstract** is attached at the end of this paper.